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Ex parte MIKIO KATSUBE, KAZUHIDE NITA
and MASAAKI SEKINO

Application No. 09/066,168

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 21, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

On January 3, 2000, appellants filed an Amendment After Final with an extension of time (Paper No. 8) in response to the examiner's Office Action mailed on September 1, 1999 (Paper No. 7). Appellants requested a one-month extension of time fee of \$110.00 be charged for filing such amendment and that such fee be charged to appellants' Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A review of the application reveals that no such fee has been charged to appellants' deposit account.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to have the requisite extension of time fee for \$110.00 be charged to appellants' Deposit Account No. 11-0600, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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